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## Corps reviews 2007 fish research

**WALLA WALLA, Wash.** – A week-long review of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Anadromous Fish Evaluation Program (AFEP) will be held Dec. 3-6 at Whitman College in Walla Walla, Wash.

The AFEP annual review provides scientists and researchers, from a variety of agencies and organizations, an opportunity to speak on results of their 2007 investigations on fish, particularly salmon, migrating from and returning to spawning grounds in rivers to the ocean.

“More than 50 studies will be presented regarding fish passage from Lower Granite Dam to the estuary at the mouth of the Columbia River,” said fish biologist Mark Smith. “Most of the presentations are 15 minutes long, followed by five minutes for questions. It’s open to the public, and we encourage anyone interested in scientific research and data on fish studies to attend.”

The Corps has sponsored biological studies concerning anadromous fish passage in the Columbia River and lower Snake River since 1952. This year’s presentations will include: juvenile and adult fish passage, including lamprey; fish transport and delayed mortality; estuary studies; bull trout studies; and avian and pinniped predation studies.

The AFEP annual review is an U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Northwestern Division-managed program that focuses on research, monitoring and evaluation studies.

The review is open to all interested parties at Whitman College’s Maxey Hall auditorium near the intersection of Otis Street and Boyer Avenue in Walla Walla.

For more information, including the event schedule, visit our Web site [www.nww.usace.army.mil/planning/ep/AnadromousFY08/default.html](http://www.nww.usace.army.mil/planning/ep/AnadromousFY08/default.html). Or, contact Mark Smith, Walla Walla District fishery biologist, at (509) 527-7275.

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